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CALL OFF STRIKE TEMPORARILY

Employees of Old Dominion
Road Return to Work
Yesterday

MR. CARLIN MEDIATOR

Company's Workmen and Heads of
Corporation Discuss Differences at
Meeting Today.

Washington, April 10.—Representa-
tives of the employees of the Washing-
ton and Old Dominion Railway Com-
pany, who were out on strike for three
days last week, will meet officials of
the company in the first of a series
of mediation conferences this after-
noon.

Colin H. Livingston, president, and
W. B. Emmert, general manager, will
represent the company, while the
employees will be represented by M. F.
Patterson, Ernest C. Putnam, Walter
S. Shertzer, W. H. Foote and O. F.
Carson.

Full service on the Washington
and Old Dominion Railway between
Washington, Bluemont and other Vir-
ginia towns was resumed yesterday
following the agreement upon a 10 day
truce by the striking trainmen and
railroad officials. The railroad recog-
nized the union, representatives of
which will meet the company officials
in an attempt to reach a perma-
nent settlement of the strike griev-
ances.

The truce was brought about by
Representative Carlin, of Virginia,
who at the suggestion of the strikers
brought the railroad officials and union
leaders into a conference. At this
conference the railroad agreed to dis-
charge all strikebreakers, allow the
union men to return to work and re-
cognize the union committee for 10
days pending discussion of terms
of final settlement. Mr. Carlin states
that he believes the strike would be
adjusted.

Yesterday morning for the first
time since Thursday morning at 11
o'clock the cars of the Washington
and Old Dominion Railway Company
were operated.

Pending settlement of the griev-
ances between employees and officials, at
conferences, the motormen and con-
ductors, who paralyzed the system
on Thursday by a "walk-out," re-
turned to work at 8 o'clock yesterday.

Cars on all divisions of the road
moved out of the barns on sched-
ule time yesterday. All employees who
went out on the strike, returned to
work in their former capacities. Men
employed since April 1, were dis-
charged Saturday night immediately
after the first conference between offi-
cers and employees.

Striking employees of the Washing-
ton and Virginia Railway Company
yesterday asserted that the wreck-
ing of two cars at Nauck, Va., late
Friday night, was caused by the em-
ployment of inexperienced men, and
not by greased rails.

Superintendent Clift stated today
that both motormen were experienced
men and that it required eleven men
to work one and half hours to clean
off the soap from the rails.

The strikers also allege that the
crew operating the first car to be
derailed, which occurred at 11:30 p.
m. had been on duty since 5:30 a. m.
A request to be relieved, they said,
made by the crew at 8:30 p. m. had
been refused.

Though more than 95 per cent of
the old employees on the Falls Church
division of this road are said to have
either been "locked out" or "walked
out" with the declaration of the strike
schedules on the division were main-
tained yesterday with practically no
delay.

Union employees of the company
stated that new members are being
added. Three employees of the Alex-
andria division are said to have left
the company yesterday. New men,
however, were immediately put in
their places and the schedule main-
tained without interruption.

The striking employees declared that
on Wednesday, immediately after the
presentation of the demands, a notice
was placed on the bulletin board to

the effect that the company would
give the men until Friday to individ-
ually present their grievances. On
Thursday, however, they said, they
were met at the door by the train-
master, who asked:

"Do you belong to the union?" On
receiving an affirmative reply, they
claim, they were told their services
were no longer required. Thirty-two
men are said to have been locked out
Thursday. More than twenty others
are said to have left the employ of
the company since that time.

The men yesterday expressed re-
newed determination to fight to the
end, when news of the settlement of
the strike on the Washington and
Old Dominion became known.

Among the more important demands
of the employees of the Washington
and Old Dominion Railway are
recognition of the union and
settlement by arbitration of all
grievances between officials and
employees arising in the future, adop-
tion of a ten-hour work day with pay
for all overtime, increase of wages
for conductors and motormen in the
steam freight service from \$3 to \$4
per day, and of flagmen and brake-
men from \$2.30 to \$2.75.

The men also demand one hour
pay for sanding and coaling engines;
pay for doubling in, and be assigned
positions according to seniority right,
increase of pay for motormen and
conductors in passenger train service
from 11 1-2 cents per mile to 12
cents per mile, and pay for time lost
on account of accidents.

BOTTLED NOTE'S SHOCK.

Tells of Suicide Pact of Young Lov-
ers in the River.

Pottsville, Pa., April 10.—Hidden in
a tin can, submerged in a muddy bank
of Schuylkill River, a water-soaked
note, written in a trembling hand, has
apparently solved the mystery which
has enveloped pretty 14 year old Hel-
en Hepler, of Cressona, and Clayton
Mengele, of Schuylkill Haven. Both
are believed to have been in a suicide
pact because their efforts to get mar-
ried failed. The note reads:

"On account of circumstances we
have decided to end our troubles. You
can find our bodies in the river. Sig-
ned, C. M. and H. H."

Whether this note was really writ-
ten by the lovers, whose tragic end
has stirred the region, or whether it
is the ghastly work of a joker, will
soon be known. The handwriting is
being compared with that of Mengele
and Miss Hepler.

Meanwhile, the police state they
have evidence which is likely to lead
to a speedy solution of the mystery
of the disappearance of Miss Hepler
and the finding of Mengele's body in
the river.

TO HAVE HIS JAWS CUT LOOSE

Ashland, Ky., April 10.—William
Blanton, aged 25, a laborer, has gone
to Louisville, where he will undergo
an operation. Blanton's jaws are
grown together so closely that he is
unable to eat any solid food other
than that which he can force through
his teeth. For over 17 years nothing
as large as a grain of rice has en-
tered his stomach, yet he has worked
and supported a widowed mother.

A local dentist extracted his 11
teeth and raised enough money to pay
his way to Louisville, where he will
be operated on. So far as is known
here, Blanton's affliction is the only
one of its kind.

CAMERON CLUB CARD PARTY

The Cameron club has arranged to
give a card party at Odd Fellows' Hall
Tuesday in Easter week. This
party is given to defray the expenses
of the school nurse. The good results
of the work done by this nurse, have
been so far reaching, that it should
be upheld by every citizen of Alex-
andria. For the last two years the
expenses of this nurse have been met
by the Cameron Club and the Parent
Teachers' Association. Tickets can be
obtained from members of the
Cameron Club.

PURSUIT OF VILLA.

El Paso, Tex., April 10.—Hanging
doggedly to Villa's trail, United States
cavalry is today in the desolate Si-
erras around Parral. At least twenty-
four hours' march ahead, Villa, with
200 men and fresh mounts, is reported
at Magistral, a mining camp, in
Durango state.

NORFOLK OYSTERS A SPECIALTY
STRAINED OYSTERS AT JACOB
BEALL'S FOOT OF KING STREET.

FRENCH BLOCK GERMAN DRIVE

Crown Prince's Attempts to
Take Dead Man's Hill
Costly

REPULSES ATTACKS

Counter Attack Also Drives Kaiser's
Forces Out of Trenches Near
Avocourt.

London, April 10.—With not a
moment's lull in the fierce fighting
northwest of Verdun, the crown prince
has followed up his success at Bethin-
court with heavy drives against the
French wings, five miles apart.

The struggle is now becoming more
furious than any waged on the banks
of the Meuse since the German offen-
sive against Verdun began. The losses
on both sides in the past 36 hours
have been appalling.

The Germans are attempting to du-
plicate their victory at Bethincourt on
a larger scale.

Using the famous "nut cracker" tac-
tics that squeezed the French out of
Bethincourt, the crown prince plans
to crush the five mile French front
and force the evacuation of all the
strong outer field fortifications of the
Verdun on the northwest.

The right jaw of the German "nut-
cracker" burst in upon the French
line northeast of Avocourt wood with
a powerful assault that carried the
Germans into advanced French posi-
tions. The French rallied and drove
the enemy out in a dashing counter
charge.

The left jaw thrust against the
French line between Dead Man's Hill
and Comieres village with the great-
est violence, but was driven back with
heavy losses.

Emerging from the protection of
Cumieres wood, the Germans were
caught under a withering fire and halt-
ed before they reached the French
trenches.

The Bethincourt salient, which for
weeks had projected into the lines
west of Verdun, has been evacuated
by the French.

The evacuation was carried out un-
der cover of darkness and without in-
terference. The French through the
hove, have been enabled to straight-
en out their lines, which now runs
from the corner of the Avocourt wood
to the south of the crossing of the
Bethincourt-Esnes and Bethincourt-
Chattancourt roads.

Violent attacks by the Germans
against the new positions found the
French line unwavering, and all of
them repelled, except between the Av-
ocourt wood and the Poarges brook,
where the Germans succeeded in en-
tering the French trenches, but also
immediately were driven out.

Northwest of Verdun around Pep-
per hill, and in the Douaumont sector
the Germans heavily bombarded
French positions, but were unable to
launch an infantry attack in the face
of the fire of the French guns. Cap-
ture of 150 meters of German trench-
es southwest of Douaumont is re-
ported by Paris.

On the rest of the lines in France
and Belgium artillery duels have been
in progress.

The offensive of the Russians
against the Germans in Northwest
Russia has simmered down to mutual
bombardments and bombarding at-
tacks by the Russian and German
aviators. Artillery actions in the Lake
Narocz region continue and an in-
fantry attack by the Germans here
was repulsed by the Russian fire.

Considerable fighting between the
Turks and Russians has taken in the
Black Sea littoral, with the Turks the
aggressors. Three attacks against
the Russian intrenchments on the
right bank of the Karaders were with-
out result. The Russians are pushing
their advance against the Ottomans
in the upper Tchouk River region.

Along the entire Austro-Italian
front the artillery of both sides has
been active. An unofficial dispatch
from Saloniki reports an exchange
of shots between German and French
cavalry on the Macedonian front
and the shelling without effect, of the

French trenches by the Germans in
the region of Gievget and Doiran.

Paris, April 10.—The French evac-
uated the Bethincourt salient on Sat-
day attacked with great violence with
their line from Bethincourt to Cu-
mieres, but were repulsed with san-
guinary losses.

Only at one point, northeast of Av-
ocourt did the Germans succeed in en-
tering the French trenches, and from
this position they were immediately
ejected through a counterattack, ac-
cording to the French official com-
munication issued tonight.

LOCAL BREVITIES

The monthly meeting of the Cham-
ber of Commerce will be held tonight.

Fire at ten o'clock Saturday night
destroyed two frame houses on Duke
street near the Stone Bridge occu-
pied by colored residents.

Fire at 8 o'clock this morning dam-
aged the residence at 938 north
Columbus street, occupied by David
Pettit. A defective flue was the cause.

The remains of Mary Bennett, who
died in Washington last Thursday,
were brought to this city today and
interred.

Rev. Father Kennedy, of the Domini-
can House of Studies, Brookland, D.
C., conducted lenten services last
night at St. Mary's Catholic church.

The installation of the recently
elected officers of Alexandria Lodge
of Elks No. 758, will take place at
the home on Prince street, tonight.
James B. Martin, past exalted ruler,
will install the newly elected officers.

The will of the late Robert F.
Knox was filed for probate today. All
of his property is left to his wife,
Mrs. Lucy D. Knox. Mrs. Knox is
critically ill at her home on Duke
street. Robert F. Knox, Jr. qualified
as administrator of his father's es-
tate.

BLINDED IN WAR

Able-Bodied Young Men in a Help-
less State

London, April 10.—One of the deep-
est personal tragedies of the war, as
brought home to the British people,
is the long list of young soldiers and
sailors who have lost their eyesight
in the conflict. At St. Dunstan's Hos-
pital for Blinded Soldiers and Sailors
there are at present about 120
students, officers and men, represent-
ing Canada, England, Australia, New
Zealand and Belgium. In addition
there are a number of men in an-
nexes at Brighton and Torquay whose
wounds thus far have prevented their
taking up work at St. Dunstan's.

Never before in British history
have so many young men who are
otherwise able-bodied been brought to-
gether in the helpless state of blind-
ness, and the problem of handling
them is entirely different from that
presented in a home for people who
have lost their sight through disease
or like causes, and new methods
must be applied to meet the situation.

THE CRUCIFIXION

One of the smoothest and best
renditions of "The Crucifixion" by
Stainer, ever heard in Alexandria was
given last evening at St. Paul's
Church before a large congregation.

The principal solos were taken by
Mr. Kenneth Ogden, tenor, and Mr.
Wilmer Waller, bass, who were both
in excellent voice and sang with
much feeling, particularly the duet
"So Thou Lifest Thy Divine Petition"
which was beautifully rendered. The
quartette "God so Loved the World"
by the quartette of the choir. Mrs.
Harrie White, soprano, Mrs. Sher-
man B. Fowler, alto, and the two prin-
cipal soloists was very effective, as
were also the smaller parts sung by
Mr. Philip Heishley and Mr. Stanley
Blanton.

Too much praise cannot be paid
the work of the well-balanced chorus,
thirty-six in number, who sang with
precision of attack and large volume,
particularly "Praise the Gates"
and the difficult "Crucifixion" Chorus.
Miss Caroline Kast, violinist played
at the offertory and the incidental
obligate to the tenor solo in an ar-
tistic manner. The rendition was un-
der the direction of Mr. Sherman B.
Fowler, the organist of the church
and the fine work of the choir show-
ed the result of careful rehearsing.

Oysters in All Styles at the Raz-
mei Cafe.

MANY WOULD-BE GAME WARDENS

More Than six Hundred Let-
ters Received For
Positions

A. J. PAYNE IN RACE

Candidates Can Only Be Selected
From Lists Furnished By Ruling
Bodies of Cities or Counties.

Richmond, April 10.—Although un-
der the provisions of the new game
law there will probably not be more
than 125 local game wardens in the
entire State, more than 600 applica-
tions have already been filed for
those positions with Fish and Game
Commissioner Parsons, with Governor
Stuart and with various other officers
of State who are mistakenly believ-
ed by applicants to have a voice in
the appointment.

More than 500 applications have
been filed with Commissioner Parsons
who, under the law, will be the sole
appointing power. The number in-
cludes letters from persons applying
for positions for themselves, and com-
munications indorsing one or more
of the applicants.

A large number of these applica-
tions will never be considered because
they are not made in conformity with
the law. The game law distinctly pro-
vides that the Game Commissioner
shall appoint local wardens from a
list of ten names supplied to him by
the councils or other governing bod-
ies of cities, or the boards of super-
visors of counties. Not a single one
of the applications already on file
can be considered by Commissioner
Parsons unless the name of such ap-
plicant is included in the list of ten
filed with him by the local authori-
ties.

Mr. Parson will enter upon his du-
ties as Game Commissioner on July
1. He is required by the new law to
maintain an office in Richmond. Ap-
plications for appointment as game
wardens will probably not be acted
upon by the commissioner until Aug-
ust. The law requires the appoint-
ment of at least one warden for each
county and city. In some districts it
will be necessary to appoint addi-
tional wardens-at-large. The neces-
sity for additional wardens will in
every case be determined by the com-
missioner.

In cities and counties having a
population less than 20,000 game
wardens will receive a salary of not
more than \$60 a month. In spite of
the modest scale of compensation, it
is estimated that the game warden
machinery of the State will cost an-
nually in excess of \$75,000 in salaries
alone. Under the act, every cent of
this money must come from hunters'
license fees. Should the fees fail to
yield a revenue large enough to pay
the running expenses of the new de-
partment, the wardens and other of-
ficers of the same department will
have no claim on the State Treasury
for their salaries.

A. J. Payne is candidate for game
warden for lower Fairfax county. He
has lately filled this position.

The retreat for men which has been
in progress in St. Mary's Catholic
Church since Thursday night un-
der the auspices of the Holy Name
Society, was brought to a conclusion
Saturday night.

SPRING EXAMINATIONS

The State Board of Education has
fixed upon April 13, 14, and 15 as the
days upon which the spring examina-
tion of teachers will take place. All
teachers will take notice and act ac-
cordingly.

Applicants are expected to furnish
their own pens and ink.
W. H. SWEENEY,
Superintendent of Public Schools,
Alexandria, Va., 10-1d

DEATH NOTICE

DIED—Sunday, April 9, 1916, at
1:53 p. m. at his residence, 410 Prince
Street, Alexandria, Va. J. MARRIOTT
HILL in the sixty fourth year of his
age. Funeral from St. Mary's
Church 9:30 Wednesday morning

PROBLEM OF MAKING PEACE

Shall It Be By a Congress or Sep-
arate Treaties?

Zurich Switzerland, April 10.—How
peace will be made, in a great con-
gress or by separate treaties, is a
question attracting more and more
attention among international jurists
in both groups of belligerents;
though, perhaps, more especially in
Germany. There England's determi-
nation to prevent the conclusion of
separate peace treaties meets with
the bitterest opposition. A congress
on the lines of the famous gathering
in Vienna just over a century ago
would, it is argued, be fatal to the
interests of Germany. For the Cen-
tral Powers separate peace treaties
are held to be absolutely necessary.

One of the most famous German
authorities on international law,
Privy Councillor Prof. Karl Binding,
who has devoted much attention to
what he calls the Technique of
Peace and who is a firm opponent of
all ideas of peace congresses, says
Germany and her allies would be
hopelessly outvoted in such delibera-
tions, and what the soldiers have
won the diplomatists would lose.

According to the English pro-
posals, all the belligerents would
be one side, England France,
Belgium, Russia, Italy, Ser-
bia, Montenegro and Japan, and on
the other side only Germany, Aus-
thia-Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey.
Eight votes against four. England
would have all the majority on her
side, including the Japanese.

Professor Binding thinks it highly
probable that England would seek to
smuggle America into the congress
as a reward for her "benevolent neu-
trality." Naturally the Central Pow-
ers would actually make "one more
opponent for them."

He continues:
"If the English say 'No separate
peace,' the Germans must say 'Only
separate peace.' Their plan must be
to make separate peace as quickly as
possible, and they are in a position
to do this. Let them say to the small
states which are already conquered:
Belgium, Serbia and Montenegro:
'Make peace or we will shall not recog-
nize you as a state any more.' This
means simply annexation and that
these states will have no share in the
peace negotiations."

"If such separate peace is made it
will be absolutely incontestable in in-
ternational law in spite of the objec-
tions of the foe. And if such separate
peace is not reached then the Cen-
tral Powers will have fewer enemies
to negotiate with and will decide
themselves over the fate of those
lands and peoples."

Professor Binding argues that Ger-
many should take the initiative to-
ward peace, as to do so would be in
no sense a sign of weakness, for it is
to her political interest to make a
beginning and frustrate England's
plans for a congress. Therefore, it is
Germany's duty to bring pressure to
bear at once upon these smaller con-
quered countries to make peace, and
if it fail then they cannot complain
of what befalls them. "Germany has
conducted a heroic war on four
fronts, and to arrive at a satisfactory
peace is also a heroic work, requir-
ing just as much careful preparation
as for war."

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

The undersigned has qualified as
executor under the will of James S.
Groves, deceased, formerly of Alex-
andria county, Virginia.

All persons having claims against
said estate will please present same,
duly sworn to, to the undersigned, and
all persons indebted to the estate will
please make payment to the under-
signed.

The Norfolk Bank For Savings &
Trusts, Executors of the Estate of
James S. Groves, 240 Main street
Norfolk, Virginia.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as Administrator
of the estate of the late Robert F.
Knox, all persons to whom said es-
tate is indebted are requested to send
me their accounts properly verified
for payment and all persons who are
indebted to the estate are requested
to make prompt settlement.

ROBERT F. KNOX, Jr.,
Administrator.

Stephen Timney the "Irish Shoemak-
er," is back upon the bench at his old
stand and ready to execute all work
entrusted to him. South Fairfax St.
near King. 6-3t.

FIERCE FIGHT FOR NEW YORK VOTE

Hughes Men Will Fight
Root For Support of
Empire State

BOTH SIDES ACTIVE

Admirers of Justice Regard the State-
ment Endorsing the Former Senator
As a Challenge

New York, April 10.—New York's
delegation to the Chicago convention
may be nailed down for Charles E.
Hughes, and that before many days,
it was learned today, if Republican
party leaders friendly to the justice
go forward with plans now under con-
sideration.

What started the movement, accord-
ing to report, was the action of a few
of Elihu Root's admirers in getting
together in the Union League Club
and setting forth his claims to the
Presidential nomination.

The Root manifesto, it is declared,
is likely to have consequences not
contemplated by its signers.

Hughes Republicans regard the
Root statement as a challenge to Re-
publican public opinion that should
not go unanswered.

The Hughes men talk of a confer-
ence of the national delegates from
this state to be held in advance of
the trip to Chicago.

The plans as yet lack completion.
The Hughes men did not know where
the conference would be held or the
exact day of the meeting. It might be
in Albany, they thought and prob-
ably not later than the first week in
May, or sooner, perhaps.

The Hughes men, as a result of
their victory in the State committee
fight on Saturday, are feeling their
oats; they are eager for another test
of strength, confident they can win
again. The Root manifesto is criticised
by them as a virtual violation of
the understanding that delegates to
the national convention were to go
there unpledged.

If permitted to go unchallenged, the
Root statement, it was said, might
work a mischievous misunderstan-
ding in other States as to the attitude
of the Republicans of New York on
the Presidential issue.

NEGRO SOLDIERS IN RIOT

One Killed in Struggle With Civil
Officer Who Was Taking Him
To Jail.

Delrio, Texas, April 10.—Private
John Wade, of Company C, Twenty-
fourth Infantry, a negro regiment
was killed here last Saturday night
when two rangers and Sheriff Al-
mond attempted to arrest 16 negro
soldiers who had created a distur-
bance in a house in the restricted
district.

Three negroes are said to have at-
tacked the officers while the latter
were taking them to the jail. Wade
jumped on Ranger Barler according
to stories told by witnesses, pressed
him to the ground and clubbed him on
the head with the butt of his re-
volver. Lying on his back, Barler drew
his pistol and fired over his shoulder.
Wade was killed.

Protests against the presence of
the negro soldiers and requests for
their removal were being prepared
yesterday to be sent to the War De-
partment.

A portion of the Twenty-fourth In-
fantry has been stationed here for
three weeks.

RUSSIA CUTS OFF ROUMANIA

Cancels All Permits For Exports,
Berlin Hears

Berlin, April 10.—The Russian Gov-
ernment has canceled all permits for
exports to Roumania, according to a
dispatch from Bucharest," says the
Overseas News Agency.

"This measure is considered an out-
come of the recent Paris conference of
the Entente and as having been taken
in order to put pressure upon neutral
and multiply the difficulties of re-
lations with the Central Powers, with
whom Roumania's commercial rela-
tions have recently been drawn closer"